



Brownfields 2008 Grant Fact Sheet

Hinesville, GA

EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. On January 11, 2002, President George W. Bush signed into law the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act. Under this law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Community Description

The City of Hinesville was selected to receive a brownfields cleanup grant. Located in eastern Georgia, Hinesville (population 30,392) is the Liberty County seat and a growing regional trade and service center, with an economy based on both manufacturing and tourism. Between 1990 and 2000, the city experienced a 41 percent increase in its population. About 46 percent of city residents are African-American. The target site, Al's Auto Repair, is located on Memorial Drive in downtown Hinesville, where 36.2 percent of residents are minorities and the poverty rate is 17.3 percent. Hinesville has identified 30 petroleum-contaminated sites in the target community, about eight of which are along Memorial Drive. Many of them are abandoned, idle, or underused. Redevelopment in



Cleanup Grant



\$150,000 for petroleum

EPA has selected the City of Hinesville for a brownfields cleanup grant. Petroleum grant funds will be used to clean up the 0.4-acre Al's Auto Repair site at 123 Memorial Drive. Assessment data indicate that petroleum products have impacted soil and groundwater at the site.

Contacts

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields web site at: www.epa.gov/brownfields.

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surrounding areas has been slow as a result of the stigma of potential environmental contamination associated with the sites. Cleanup of the target site is expected to reduce health and environmental risks at the site and complement the city's ongoing efforts to redevelop the Memorial Drive corridor.